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State Conservation Committee appoints five Conservation District officials

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The State Conservation Committee announced today that it re-appointed and appointed five Conservation District officials in the counties of Belknap, Grafton, Hillsborough, and Sullivan. The appointees were nominated to serve as supervisors by their respective County Conservation District boards.

The Committee re-appointed Ben Hudson Lyme to the Grafton County Conservation District Board.

Amy Bagley of Milford was re-appointed as a Supervisor on the Hillsborough County Conservation District Board.

Cornelia Sargent and Leon Stevens, both of Claremont, were re-appointed to the Sullivan County Conservation District.

Earle Chase of Barnstead was appointed a Supervisor of the Belknap County Conservation District. Mr. Chase has previously served as an Associate Supervisor.

"These appointments collectively represent decades of continued commitment to conservation," said Michele L. Tremblay, the Committee's Executive Director, "The returning Supervisors provide continuity while new Supervisors bring a fresh perspective—the combination provides diversity and leadership for natural resource conservation at the local level"

Conservation Districts have helped protect our soil, water, forests, wildlife, and other natural resources since 1945 by working with landowners, the USDA Natural Resources Conservation Service, and other government and non-government organizations. Nationwide, there are over 3,000 Conservation Districts, and in New Hampshire each of the ten counties has a Conservation District that provides coordination, technical assistance, products, and other services for its residents, businesses, and municipalities. Each county Conservation District has five Supervisors who serve unpaid to direct and oversee local conservation efforts in their counties. The Supervisors serve three-year terms.

The State Conservation Committee is a NH state government agency that has provided inter-departmental natural resource coordination since 1945, as well as guidance and support to the ten county Conservation Districts. In 2006, the Conservation Districts and

the State Conservation Committee celebrated their 60th anniversary of service. Governor Lynch recognized the occasion with a congratulatory proclamation.

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